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FOLLOWING REPEAT TEHRAN 8648 ACTION SECSATE INFO DAR ES SALAAM
LONDON LUSAKA DATED SEP 11:

QTE: C O N F I D E N T I A L TEHRAN 08648

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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: RH, UK IR, PDEV
SUBJ: POSSIBLE MUZOREWA VISIT TO IRAN

REF: STATE 229090

1. SHAH INFORMED ME SEPT 10 THAT BISHOP MUZOREWA
HAD COME TO TEHRAN OVER THE WEEKEND BECAUSE SHAHHAD
SENT WORD TO HIM IN LONDON THAT IRAN FELT BISHOP SHOULD
ATTEND ALL-PARTY CONFERENCE.

2. HE SAIE BISHOP HAD MADE RATHER EMOTIONAL PRESENTA-
TION OF HIS POSITION, MAINTAINING THAT OVERWHELMING
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MAJORITY OF ZIMBABWE PEOPLE SUPPORTED HIM AND THAT HE
HAE NO REASON TO SHARE POWER WITH NKOMO. SHAH SAID HE
GAVE BISHOP A "COLD SHOWER" BY POINTING OUT THAT NKOMO
HAD THE GUNS WHILE THE BISHOP HAD NONE AND THAT SOME
SORT OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE MILITARY LEADERS WOULD

SEEM PRUDENT.

3. HAH WENT ON TO TELL ME THAT HE HAD NO WAY TO MAKE
INDEPENDENT ASSES MENT OF RHODESIAN SITUATION BUT WAS

RELYING ON BRITISH-AMERICAN JUDGEMENT BECAUSE HE ASSUMED
OUR INTERESTS PARALLELED THOSE OF IRAN. HE THEREFORE
COUNSELLED MUZOREWA TO ACCEPT BRITISH ADVICE AND
GUIDANCE.

4. HE SAID HE GAVE MUZOREWA SOME MONEY, ENCOURAGED
HIM TO THINK CONSTRUCTIVELY AND CAME AWAY WITH THE
IMPRESSION THAT MUZOREWA WOULD RELUCTANTLY AGREE TO
ATTEND ALL-PARTY CONFERENCE. IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING
THAT BISHOP HAS FLOWN BACK TO LONDON. SULLIVAN UNQTE
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